

Caleb: A Man Who Fully Followed God

We must be men and women who fully follow God!

A man who fully follows God will...

I. Have faith in God, not in man. (Num. 13:30-33)

Faith in God = “Found his confidence in; Believed; Remained loyal and dependant”

What made Caleb so different from the 10 men who said they couldn’t do it? Caleb believed in the faithfulness of God’s promises!

A. He will find his confidence in God’s promise.

“When God makes a promise He also makes a plan.”

If we truly realize the faithfulness of God’s promises we will fully follow God no matter what the circumstances look like.

B. He will find his confidence in God’s power.

God is able, even (especially) when man is unable

A man who fully follows God will...

II. Stand alone for God, despite public opinion. (Num. 14:1-10)

A. He will stand alone in the face of unbelief. (Numbers. 14:1-4)

Two choices: Follow the 10 spies report by forgetting God’s promises and by fearing to move forward in the land, or follow the 2 spies report and fully follow God’s power and God’s promises. What did they do?

B. He will stand alone by unashamedly proclaiming his confidence in God. (14:6-10)

Right and wrong is not determined by the majority’s opinions, but by God. Even though we may only be a small voice in a big crowd, we must stand for the truth which is found in God’s Word.

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III. Be blessed by God. (Num. 14:22-24; Deut. 1:36; Josh. 14:7ff)

A. The example of Caleb.

1. He was given life. (Num. 14:22-24, 38)

Caleb and Joshua were promised by God that they would be the only ones, besides the children, to live through the 40 years of punishment in the wilderness and enter the land that God had promised.

2. He was given land. (Joshua 14:7-9ff; Deut. 1:36)

B. The promise of Scripture. (2 Cor. 6:17,18; Ps. 37:5; Prov. 16:3, 3:6)

“God blesses those who fully follow Him.”

So What?

The only logical response to this passage is that, we must be men and women who fully follow God.